

Dear Judiciary Committee,

I OPPOSE S.B. 16: AN ACT ADDRESSING GUN VIOLENCE AND JUVENILE CRIME.

I hope that you will reject this bill and the idea that the way to fix the rising crime rate is to once again burden law-abiding gun owners with more regulations. Yes, we need to fix this crime problem, but it's clear that this is driven by the lack of enforcement and especially the prosecution of all crimes.

There are so many portions of this bill that will have no effect on crime, e.g. how is making people with antique firearms register them going to address street crime?

Again we see attacks on legal firearms, and legal gun owners, like it's the firearms that are driving the rise in crime rather than the criminals. It's always the same thing, the Legislature bans something it doesn't even understand, and then comes back later for another bite of the apple trying to ban even more firearms, claiming "loopholes".

I urge that the Judiciary Committee oppose S.B. 16

In addition, I hope the Judiciary Committee will OPPOSE Raised H.B. No. 5416 AN ACT CONCERNING BULK PURCHASES OF PISTOLS AND REVOLVERS.

However, please SUPPORT Raised H.B. No. 5415 AN ACT CONCERNING THE TRANSFER OF ASSAULT WEAPONS AND LARGE CAPACITY MAGAZINES.

Please SUPPORT Raised H.B. No. 5412 AN ACT CONCERNING THE DUTY TO RETREAT IN A RELIGIOUS HOUSE OF WORSHIP.

Please SUPPORT Raised S.B. No. 388 AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEFENSE OF A PERSON OR A PERSON'S DWELLING, PLACE OF WORK OR MOTOR VEHICLE.

Respectfully,

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